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SUBJ: HEADS OF STATE MEETING, MONROVIA

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1. IN A CONVERSATION WITH PRESIDENT STEVENS TODAY, MARCH 6,
HE INDICATED HIS SUPPORT FOR EFFORTS BEING MADE FOR RE-
CONCILIATIONS BETWEEN PRESIDENT SEKOU TOURE AND PRESIDENTS
SENGHOR AND HOUPHOUET-BOIGNY. HE WENT ON TO INDICATE THAT SUCH
RECONCILIATIONS WOULD MAKE HIS LIFE EASIER SINCE HE WOULD
BE ABLE TO VISIT SENEGAL AND THE IVORY COAST WITHOUT FEAR
THAT HIS VISITS WOULD BE MISCONSTRUED BY PRESIDENT TOURE.
HE INDICATED THAT A MEETING WOULD BE HELD SOON IN MONROVIA,

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HE THOUGHT MARCH 15, AND IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTION, INDICATED
HE PLANNED TO ATTEND.

2. COMMENT: WE WERE SUPRISED ON RECEIPT OF REFTEL AND PREVIOUS
AT THE ABSENCE OF ANY MENTION OF PARTICIPATION BY PRESIDENT
STEVENS, PARTICULARLY SINCE THE RECONCILIATION MEETING IS
TAKING PLACE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF STEVENS' FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR,

PRESIDENT TOLBERT. I WAS UNABLE, BECAUSE OF TIME LIMITATIONS,
TO OBTAIN FURTHER DETAILS FROM THE PRESIDENT BUT IT WAS
OBVIOUS TO ME THAT HE HAD BEEN KEPT INFORMED ABOUT THE PRO-
GRESS BEING MADE TOWARD THE MEETING.
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